# PROCEEDINGS
of
# THE TRAVANCORE SRI MULAM ASSEMBLY.

(*OFFICIAL REPORT.*)

## SECOND ASSEMBLY.

## SEVENTH SESSION—1115/1940.

*Tuesday the 30th July 1940/15th Karkatakom 1115.*

The Assembly met again at 11 of the Clock, the Dewan President presiding.

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

*Metalling of roads in Travancore.*

135. *MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN (*Kunnatnad* cum *Paru*):

I. Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing:

(*a*) the total length of the metalled roads in Travancore;

(*b*) the number of steam rollers and of motor rollers in working order, possessed by the P. W. D. at present;

(*c*) how many miles of road could be metalled in a year by using a steam roller in its ordinary course of work; and

(*d*) how many miles of road could be metalled in a year by using a motor roller in its ordinary course of work; and

II. Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the delay in metalling the roads even after the stacking of materials on the road side has been due to the want of sufficient number of rollers; and

(*b*) if it is not the case whether they will state the reasons for the delay?

MR. M. S. DORASWAMI AIYANGAR (*Chief Engineer*).

I. (*a*) 1148 miles 191 feet.

(*b*) 15 Steam rollers and 7 motor rollers.

(*c*) About 15 miles of road could be metalled in an year using a steam roller consolidating 12′ × 3″ metalled section.

(*d*) Motor rollers are not generally used for consolidating metal as they are too light.

II. (*a*) Want of rollers at the proper working season is one of the reasons for delay in metalling the road even after the stacking of materials.

(*b*) Materials for road work supplied in the dry season will have to be stacked there till the commencement of rains.

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